



Docket No.: 204552021800  
(PATENT)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Masahiko MATSUURA, et al.

Application No.: 09/988,628

Group Art Unit: 2852

Filed: November 20, 2001

Examiner: Sophia S. Chen

For: NON-FIXING TYPE IMAGE RECEIVING  
SHEET, IMAGE FORMING METHOD AND  
IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

MS Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.

RECEIVED  
SEP - 9 2003  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800